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1. On a hill about 2 km north of Kaluga (54°30'N/36°18'E) Kaluzhskaya Oblast, and 1 km east of a small tributary of the Oka River was a plant covering an area of about 1,200x1,000 meters. The construction of the installation was started in 1928 and the project was two-thirds completed at the beginning of the war. The empty workshops were used as warehouses. Construction work was resumed in 1945. In 1947 the framework of all workshops was completed and the entire plant was 90 percent finished. Moreover, the workshops were not yet furnished and only a printing-press was in operation. Dismantled machinery, most of it Siemens equipment, arrived from Germany after 1945. Eighty percent of the machinery comprised lathes and electrical machines of small sizes unsuitable for the machining of large or heavy steel parts. These machines and those of U.S. origin were stored in workshops and in the open. Power was supplied to the plant from Kaluga. The plant had railroad connection. *
2. From the machines it was inferred that the production of small engines was planned at the plant. The official version was that it was to be a refinery. About 500 Soviets and 1,200 Poles were employed at the plant.

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1 Annex: 1 sketch on ditto.

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